

BRITISH SMASH GERMAN LINE FOR 1,000 YDS.

Second Phase of the Great Offensive Started With Success East of La Boisselle But British Had to Relinquish Ground in the Region of Thiepval, London Admits

NEAR OVILLERS ALSO THE BRITISH ADVANCED

Germans Countered With Heavy Attacks Near the Ancre and Violent Fighting Is Now in Progress—In the Verdun Sector a Small German Attack at Le Petre Wood Failed, Paris Reports

London, July 7.—The capture by the British of a German trench on a front of 1,000 yards, east of La Boisselle in the Somme region, was announced officially to-day. The British assumed the offensive on certain sectors east of Albert at dawn to-day, and at the same time the Germans launched heavy attacks on British trenches near the Ancre. Violent fighting is now in progress.

In the vicinity of Ovillers and Contalmaison wells, near La Boisselle, the British made progress. In the region of Thiepval, the Germans regained a section of lost ground.

SECOND PHASE OF OFFENSIVE IS NOW UNDER WAY

The second phase of the great battle on the western front has now begun. Artillery has been brought up to new positions and is again battering the German defenses. The bombardment extends as far north as La Bassée and Armentières and, according to the latest unofficial advices, is particularly intense. The British long-range guns are shelling the German positions and the roads in their rear.

In addition to inflicting losses on the Germans in men and guns and territory, the Anglo-French offensive is reported to have compelled them to withdraw some of their forces from the Verdun front. Consequently, it is expected that the French army, which for nearly five months has withstood the German attacks, will have some relief from continual fighting.

ARTILLERY DUELS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE MEUSE

Firing Was Particularly Active On the Thiaumont Earthwork—German Aeroplanes Bombed an Open French Town.

Paris, July 7.—Quiet prevailed last night on both sides of the Somme river, says the war office statement. The artillery on both sides was active on the left and the right banks of the Meuse, especially on the Thiaumont earthwork and in the Fleury and the Chenoy sections. A small German attack on French trenches at Le Petre wood failed.

German aeroplanes, the report asserts, yesterday dropped bombs on the open town of Lure, killing 11 persons, all of whom with one exception were women and children. Two German machines were brought down near Mezieres.

GERMAN WARSHIPS CAPTURE PRIZE NEAR ENGLAND

British Steamer Lestriss Seized, According to Official Announcement by the Government at Berlin.

Berlin, via London, July 7.—Official announcement was made to-day that the British steamship Lestriss was held up by German warships near the English coast and seized as a prize.

The statement says that the Lestriss was held up by a portion of the German high seas forces.

This German statement is the first indication of any German high sea fleet near the English coast. The Lestriss seizure is the second exploit of the kind by the Germans. On June 16 the British steamer Brussels was captured by German destroyers and taken with its passengers into Zebrugga.

RUSSIANS RETIRE IN BAGDAD.
Have Fallen Back for 80 Miles Before Big Turkish Army.

London, July 7.—A Petrograd despatch to the Daily Telegraph says that the Russians have fallen back almost 80 miles in the Bagdad region.

The despatch says that the pressure of the Turkish forces was only one of the reasons which caused the retirement of the Russians. The Turks are said to have gathered a great army to contest the Russian advance.

The principal reason, however, given for the retreat of the Russians is that

PROTECT VERMONT FROM POLIOMYELITIS

State Board of Health Adopts Rules and Regulations Intended to Keep Disease Out of the State.

Burlington, July 7.—At the regular monthly meeting of the state board of health, held yesterday afternoon, steps were taken by the members of the board towards protecting Vermont children from possible contact with infantile paralysis which they might catch from children who are brought to this city from New York, where an epidemic is raging. The following statement given out by the board explains itself.

Infantile paralysis (epidemic poliomyelitis) is prevailing to an unusual extent in the city of greater New York.

Families in that city in which there are children will naturally take such children as far as possible into the country. The state of Vermont has unusual reasons for taking extraordinary precautions against this disease. Infantile paralysis is generally recognized as a contagious disease and one that may be spread innocently by persons who have no clinical symptoms, in other words, by "laboratory cases" or "healthy carriers."

The state board of health of this state deems it reasonable under the circumstances to make the following rules and regulations; therefore, under the authority of the Vermont statutes, the following rules and regulations are promulgated:

1. No child under the age of 15 years shall reside in this state for a period of more than 24 hours without being reported to the health officer of the town or city where such child is, provided such child has been in the city of greater New York since the 20th of June, 1916.

2. It shall be the duty of every housekeeper, manager or proprietor of every hotel or boarding-house where such child is domiciled, to immediately report such child, giving the name and age, to the health officer of his city or town.

3. Every such child shall be subjected to quarantine for a period of two weeks from the time such child was last in the city of greater New York.

4. The health officer of every town and city to whom such a child is reported shall immediately serve a written notice upon the head of the family in which such child is; this written notice shall contain a copy of these regulations and an order signed by such health officer requiring such child to remain on the premises in which it is at that time for the specified time of two weeks after last leaving the city of greater New York.

5. Each health officer to whom such child is reported shall require of the tenant, parent or guardian of such child, a certificate in writing, duly signed by a legal practitioner of medicine, certifying that the nose and throat of such child has been thoroughly washed with a solution of a teaspoonful of common salt in a pint of water, once a day for a period of three consecutive days, before the premises are released from quarantine.

6. No child under 15 years of age shall enter any house so quarantined.

7. A placard containing the word "quarantine" shall be sufficient evidence to all persons that the premises are quarantined for the purposes of these regulations.

Nothing in these regulations shall be construed to prevent other members of a household in which there is a child as above described, who has left the city of New York since June 20, 1916, from attending to their usual occupations.

The owners, managers or proprietors of hotels and boarding-houses may place no restrictions on attendants or guests in their hotels or boarding-houses further than the strict isolation of any children as above described from New York City, provided such children are isolated to the satisfaction of the local health officer and their noses and throats irrigated as specified.

Each health officer will see that a copy of these regulations, with which he is furnished, is conspicuously displayed in at least three public places in his town or city.

These rules and regulations shall remain in force until further notice.

Per order Vermont state board of health.

Charles F. Dalton, M. D., Secretary.

22 DEATHS IN 24 HOURS.

There Are No Signs of Abatement of Infantile Paralysis in New York.

New York, July 7.—With city, state and federal authorities fighting the disease, the epidemic of infantile paralysis showed little signs of abatement to-day. During the 24 hours ending at 10 o'clock this morning 22 children died, 19 of whom resided in Brooklyn. Eighty-seven new cases were reported.

FUNERAL OF THOMAS BURKE.

Was Held at St. Augustine's Church in Montpelier.

The funeral of Thomas Burke of Montpelier, who died Wednesday evening in Waterbury, was held from St. Augustine's church in Montpelier this morning at 9 o'clock. Rev. Thomas McCarthy officiating. The bearers were C. C. Bergen, John P. Mack, Israel Crapo, Jerry McCormick, W. S. Choate and James Ewing. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

Mr. Burke was born in Montpelier November 1, 1855, the son of John and Katherine Burke. He spent his whole life in Montpelier and for 25 years was employed in the shop of the Lane Manufacturing Co. He was married April 26, 1893, to Miss Mary Medler, and she, together with an adopted son, survives. He also leaves two brothers, James Burke of Montpelier, and Edward Burke of Barre, and two sisters, Mrs. James Quinn of Montpelier and Mrs. James Hart of Stewartstown, N. H. He was a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters.

VILLA REAPPEARS AT HEAD OF ARMY

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GERMANS RETREAT IN EAST

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RUSSIANS SUPERIOR IN MEN AND GUNS

Czar's Armies Continue to Deliver Stroke After Stroke, Seemingly Without Intermission, and Are Forcing Both the Germans and Austrians Backward

London, July 7.—A wireless despatch from Rome says that word has been received from Petrograd that in consequence of a triple defeat in the sectors of Riga, Kolki and Baranovichi the Germans have begun to move their whole front toward the west.

The Russians, who now apparently have a better supply of guns and ammunition than their adversaries, seem to pass from one phase to the next without intermission. General Letichyky's army, which conquered Bukovina, is advancing in an effort completely to overcome the Austrian forces on that front. General Kaledines is continuing to deliver heavy strokes against the Austrians and Germans, endeavoring to keep them from Kovel.

With these operations in full swing the Russians in the north have inaugurated an offensive from Riga to Baranovichi. Near Smolgen also the Russians and the Germans are engaged in a severe struggle.

The immensity of the Russian drive against the Austrians and Germans during the last month is indicated by unofficial reports from Petrograd, which say that the Austro-German losses, in the endeavor to stay the advance of General Brussiloff's armies, total nearly half a million men, about half of whom are prisoners. Not less than 250 guns of various sizes and more than 700 machine guns and an immense quantity of other booty have been taken.

The Austrians admit a serious defeat west of Kolomea, where they were driven back nearly five miles.

The latest official statement from the Russian war office announces the capture of approximately 10,000 additional prisoners, 5,000 of whom are said to be Germans taken in a recent battle on the Dniester. About 5,000 other prisoners were captured on other sections of the Russian front.

The Germans admit the withdrawal of General Von Bothmer's army in the Tarnopol sector before the powerful attacks of the Russians.

BIG GATHERING OF FARMERS.

From Two Counties Will Be Held in Barre Next Month.

Committees from the Washington County Farm Bureau association, the Orange County Farmers' association, the Montpelier board of trade and the Barre Board of Trade held a joint meeting in the Howland building yesterday, and made plans for carrying out the idea of holding a field day and picnic sometime the latter part of August.

The committee accepted the invitation of the Barre Board of Trade to hold this meeting at the Granite City trotting park in Barre. The date was left in charge of a committee. Other committees were appointed as follows: Committee on speakers, W. C. Colton of Montpelier, F. G. Howland of Barre, County Agents Loveland and Abbott; committee on stock judging and stock exhibit, J. A. Partridge of Washington, Roy Smith of Barre, and H. J. Dodge of Berlin; committee on entertainment, Barre Board of Trade or its committees; committee on entertainment for women, Barre Woman's club.

The object of this joint meeting and picnic is to promote the good-fellowship and acquaintance of the people of the two counties and to so arrange it that it will be a decided educational meeting for the farmers. The features will be stock judging, and good speaking and the whole meeting will be primarily agricultural in its nature. The details will be worked out by the different committees and subsequent notices will keep you posted on the matter.

STREET CAR STRUCK AUTO.

Two Women in Latter Vehicle Injured at Burlington.

Burlington, July 7.—A runaway automobile carrying Mrs. Harriet Spear of Troy, N. Y., and Mrs. Frank Brown of Stamford, was struck by an electric car at the corner of Pearl and Prospect streets and pushed along for 50 feet yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Brown received a severe shaking up, was bruised about the body and received an injury to one leg. Mrs. Spear got a scalp wound and injuries about the neck and shoulders.

U. S. PLEAS AT PROPOSAL

Inform Carranza That It Accepts Direct Diplomatic Negotiation

AS A SOLUTION OF DIFFERENCES

United States Government May Assist Carranza to Restore Order

Washington, D. C., July 7.—A note formally accepting Carranza's proposal that the differences between the United States and the de facto government of Mexico be settled by direct negotiations was handed to-day to Eliseo Arredondo, the Mexican ambassador designate. Secretary of State Lansing took a draft of the note at to-day's cabinet meeting and had it delivered promptly after the cabinet adjourned. A course to be pursued has already been agreed upon by President Wilson and his advisers.

Events clearly have proved the failure of the first chief's hopes to re-establish orderly government unaided, officials here believe, and with the war abroad shutting off every other source of assistance, he is thought now to have reached the point where he will make proper guarantees in order to secure American capital.

Mr. Arredondo said last night that while he had general instructions from his government to discuss with the state department the points on which there is disagreement, he would await new orders from Mexico City, before undertaking the proposed negotiations. He added that he did not expect to take up the question of arranging credit for his government, but would leave that to Dr. Alfredo Catuogeli, General Carranza's financial agent, stationed at New York.

It is believed here that the question of constructive measures to stabilize the Mexican government will come up before the conversations have progressed very far. The Washington administration is understood to be as firmly convinced as ever that the only proper and efficient cure for the distressing condition of its southern neighbor must be found with in that country, not through intervention. At the same time a cure for the lawless conditions in the border states must be found before the United States can feel justified in abating in any degree the preparation it is making to protect its frontier by force of arms.

There is no question that the Mexican government will contend forcefully for the withdrawal of American troops from Mexico. Since the purpose to compel their withdrawal has been abandoned, however, officials do not look for another deadlock on that issue. President Wilson is said to be ready to order the troops out promptly when he has any assurance that it will not mean merely a renewal of the conditions that caused them to be sent in. But no plan of action now agreed upon can be based upon an agreement to withdraw them.

NO MORE TROOPS FOR BORDER.

And Members Having Dependent Families Will Be Discharged.

Washington, D. C., July 7.—The war department will send no more National Guard troops to the border except to relieve those already there, it has been announced. Those which have been ordered to entrain will go within the next few days and the others will remain at home or in state camps for training.

The president and Secretary Baker believe there are already enough guardsmen on the border to care for patrol duty and to serve in an emergency.

Publication yesterday of Secretary Baker's order that members of the guard with dependent families be discharged from the service was the first sign at the war department that tension on the border had relaxed. It is regarded as making unnecessary any legislation on the subject of relief for soldiers' families and also carries out the expressed desire of President Wilson that the border patrol duty be arranged so as to work as little inconvenience for the citizen soldiers as possible.

DEATH OF W. C. QUINLAN.

End Came Last Night After Long Period of Ill Health.

William C. Quinlan died at his home at 172 North Main street last night following an uphill fight against chronic bronchitis. Nearly two years ago, Mr. Quinlan went to California in search of a more helpful climate and lived at the sanatorium at Menton and also passed some time at Redland. Just nine weeks ago to-day he returned to Barre.

Mr. Quinlan was born Oct. 19, 1859, in New Brunswick. He had lived in Barre about 32 years. In 1880 he married Miss Carrie Peck. As a young man he was a pioneer in the granite industry and operated several sheds on Burnham's meadow. At that time he lived at the corner of Prospect street and Bailey avenue. Mr. Quinlan was always a strong church member, belonging to St. Montpelier's. When in 1887 the Catholics built the present church building on Summer street, Mr. Quinlan was one of those to work the hardest in raising the funds necessary. He belonged to the Knights of Columbus.

Besides his wife and one daughter, Mary Z., he leaves to mourn his loss three brothers and three sisters. They are Mrs. Mary Wilson, Mrs. Julia Cripps, George Quinlan and Jeremiah Quinlan, St. Johns, New Brunswick; Neal Quinlan, Redland, Cal., and Mrs. Rachel Irving of Springfield, Mass. Mr. Quinlan had a host of friends and as an old resident of Barre knew a great many people here. All sympathize with the family in their bereavement.

The funeral will be held from St. Montpelier's church Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock and burial will take place at the Catholic cemetery on Beckley street.

SPECIAL SESSION EXPECTED JULY 18

It is learned from a reliable source that Governor C. W. Gates will call the special session of the state legislature for Tuesday, July 18, to appropriate money to assist the National Guard now in service on the Mexican border. The session would probably have been called for sometime next week but for the meeting of the Greater Vermont association, accommodations for the legislators not being available.

It has been suggested that the legislators show their patriotism by voting against the acceptance of pay for the time they are in Montpelier and the suggestion, according to reports, meets with approval throughout the state. The soldiers, however, are entitled to their mileage at the rate of 20 cents per mile and that in itself would net the members a tidy sum.

BEAUTIFUL DISPLAY OF ROSES.

Marks the Flower Show at the Church Street School Building.

Quantities of roses of varied hue, together with many other beautiful flowers, made the second flower show under the auspices of the Barre Woman's club a most attractive spot to visit yesterday, the opening day, at the Church street school building. Although it was primarily a rose show, other exhibits were desired and the call was well responded to.

A large number of people took advantage of the opportunity to see the many blooms displayed during the afternoon and many more, it is expected, will visit the building this afternoon from 2 to 6 for the same purpose.

In the vicinity of 30 different kinds of roses were displayed, all of them very beautiful. Conspicuous among the display of flowers other than roses were vases of Canterbury bells, which were greatly admired, both the single and so-called "cup-and-saucer" varieties being displayed. Hundreds of velvety pansies were contributed by Miss Emma Charbonneau of Williamstown, the result of only two days' blooming, and it was from Williamstown, too, that several specimens of showy lady's slipper came, contributed by Mrs. Sarah Seaver. There was a small exhibit of nasturtiums and sweet peas, but the season is too backward for many of these yet. Sweet Williams, which figured to some extent at the peony show last month, again had a place among the flowers at this time. There were also exhibits of foxgloves, larkspur, forget-me-nots, poppies, pinks, and many others too numerous to mention, making the school room a place of beauty.

In an affair of this sort it is at once evident that considerable work is necessary for its carrying out, but under the able leadership of Mrs. E. T. Morrison and Dr. D. C. Jarvis, the flower show is a source of much gratification to the people of Williamstown have shown their interest and united with those of this city in sending contributions, the Misses Robinson, Mrs. Sarah Seaver and Miss Emma Charbonneau all sending beautiful exhibits. Other out-of-town exhibits were two specimens of roses, grown by George Chase of Bethel. The rest were by local flower growers.

One change was made in the system of naming the prize winners at this event, no prize being awarded where there was only one exhibit of a kind and no competition. As at the peony show, William Greig and James Levee acted as judges.

The next exhibit for which the woman's club is planning is of sweet peas and gladioli, sometime in August.

The prize winners were as follows: White hybrid tea rose—1st, George Chase, Bethel; 2d, Miss M. E. Robinson, Williamstown.

White moss rose—1st, Mrs. E. T. Morrison, 2d, Mrs. Baldwin, Washington street.

Pink hybrid tea rose—1st, George Chase; 2d, Miss Mary Wright.

Yellow rose—1st, Mrs. M. B. Winter, Trow hill; 2d, Mrs. H. S. Meaker, Trow hill.

Hybrid perpetual—1st, Mrs. W. F. Shepard; 2d, Clare and Leone Reynolds.

Best three blooms hybrid perpetual—Jack rose—Cleora and Leone Reynolds.

Double red rose rugosa—1st, Miss Robinson, Williamstown; 2d, Mrs. H. S. Meaker.

Climbing rose—1st, Miss Emma Charbonneau, Williamstown; 2d, Mrs. M. B. Winter.

Old-fashioned roses—Mrs. Sarah Seaver.

Baby rambler—Mrs. Alex. Duncan.

Hardy double white rose rugosa—Miss M. E. Robinson.

Best display yellow roses—Mrs. Halvosa.

Best display hardy double white roses—Mrs. T. H. Garrity.

Best display hardy double pink roses—Mrs. C. L. Bugbee.

Moss rugosa—Mrs. M. B. Winter.

Hardy garden pinks—1st, Mrs. F. E. Langley; 2d, Mrs. H. S. Meaker.

Sweet william—1st, Marguerite Kent; 2d, Mrs. C. L. Bugbee.

Foxgloves—1st, Mrs. C. R. Allen; 2d, Mrs. B. F. Davis, Trow hill.

Best Canterbury bells—Mrs. R. S. Currier.

Pansies—Miss Emma Charbonneau.

Poppies—Mrs. C. L. Bugbee.

CITY MEETING TO-NIGHT.

Two Important Matters Are To Be Considered By Citizens.

Two important matters are to come before the city meeting to be held in the city hall this evening at 8 o'clock. First, to see if the city will bond to pave South Main street and erect a bridge across Jail branch; second, to see if the city will bond to enlarge city water mains to give better fire protection.

The first proposition was voted down by a narrow margin at the last city meeting. Soon afterwards a petition was circulated asking for a second meeting on the matter. The reason for proposing to pave South Main street, as set forth by the city council when this work was first being talked of as a part of this year's program, was to give shutters seven years in which to pay their paving assessments. As a part of this plan, it was proposed that part of the cost be raised by taxation this year, and when the appropriations were made in March, \$4,500 was voted for this purpose.

BREAST TORN BY GUN SHOT

Archie Bonnani, 38, Committed Suicide at 22 Ladd Street To-day

WAS DISCOURAGED BECAUSE OF ILLNESS

He Left Letter Addressed to Brothers and Sisters in Italy

Sick and discouraged, Archie Bonnani, aged 38 years, arose this morning at the boarding-house of Mrs. Catherine Bardelli, 22 Ladd street, where he was living, and sent a charge of shot into his breast, death ensuing instantly. He left a farewell letter to his two brothers and one sister in Italy, the letter being sealed and directed to his stepmother, Mrs. Ellen Bonnani of 30 North Main street, directing her to forward the letter to the relatives in Italy.

Recently the man had complained of a severe pain in his right side and abdomen, and, in addition, he was afflicted with a cough which gave indication of growing lung trouble. He sat up late last night talking with neighbors who gathered in the neighborhood. He had worked at his trade of stonecutter at Gearson & Lane's plant on Burnham's meadow for two hours yesterday until forced to lay off because of the lack of air to run the pneumatic tools.

At 6:45 this morning Mrs. Bardelli was startled by the sound of a shot from Bonnani's room on the second floor of her house and, fearing some tragedy, she ran out of the house to the home of A. Abiatti just across the street. Neighbors also had heard the sound but some thought it came from a belated Fourth of July explosion. Presently, however, a few went upstairs and saw a thin column of smoke issuing from the crevices of the closed entrance to Bonnani's room.

The police office was notified by telephone, and Chief Sinclair and Officer Henderson went to Ladd street. On entering the room they found the body lying on its back on the floor, just beside the bed. Nearby was a double-barreled shotgun, one chamber of which was emptied and the butt of which was resting under a radiator. Also lying nearby was the ramrod of the gun, and it was evident that in his desperation Bonnani had secured lodged the butt of the gun under the radiator and then, after putting the muzzle against his breast, had discharged the weapon by pressing the trigger with the ramrod.

The shot had torn a large wound in the center of the body and some of the charge had undoubtedly hit the heart. Life was extinct. The police tried to get into communication with Health Officer J. W. Stewart but failed to locate him, after which they secured Charles Oliver of the board of health. After the remains were viewed, the body was ordered removed to the undertaking rooms of Perry & Noonan.

The body was clothed in trousers and shirt when found.

One thing that had served to depress Bonnani was the fact that his boarding-house keeper was planning to leave for the South and had told him that he would have to get another place in which to live. His inability to maintain steady employment was undoubtedly another contributing cause. He had worked off and on for Gearson & Lane for some years, but his ill health had kept him from full-time employment. A year ago last April his father, Oreste Bonnani, passed away, and since that time the man had been more or less discouraged. He had been living at Mrs. Bardelli's since last September.

His stepmother, Mrs. Ellen Bonnani, who is employed in the laundry at the Barre City hospital, recently submitted to an operation on one foot and had only left the hospital last Saturday, on which day she saw her stepson last. On that day she noticed his cough and, being solicitous as to his condition, asked him why he did not go to see a physician, but the young man put her query aside without definite assurance that he would consult medical aid. Knowledge of his condition without doubt caused brooding which terminated in self-destruction.

Bonnani was born in Carrara, Italy, and would have been 39 years of age next October. He came to the United States 19 years ago and had lived in various granite centers in the time intervening. Most of the time had been spent in Barre, but he had also lived in Northfield and Montpelier, besides places farther distant. His job at Gearson & Lane's of late had been on culmular work. He was unmarried and since the death of his father he had made his home at various boarding-houses about Barre. He was well known in the Italian colony.

He leaves, besides his stepmother, the two brothers and the sister, the last named, Mrs. Ida Giorgio, residing in Carrara, Italy. The two brothers' present location is unknown because they are in the Italian army and presumably fighting the Austrians on the border line between those two nations. One of them, Giovanni Bonnani, is a corporal and the other, Bruno, is a private. The letter which Archie had written to the brothers and the sister was turned over to Mrs. Ellen Bonnani by Chief Sinclair, and she will post it, as directed, without opening the seal.

The funeral will be held from Perry & Noonan's undertaking rooms Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and interment will be in Hope cemetery.

MORE EARTHQUAKES.

Neapolitan and Calabrian Provinces Feel Earth Tremors.

Naples, July 6, via Paris, July 7.—Several strong earthquake shocks have occurred in the Neapolitan and Calabrian provinces. It is believed that they were connected with the Telluric movement which caused the disaster in the Sicilian sulphur mines.